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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

Title: Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) State Plan Application

OMB No.: 0970-0382

Description: Section 676 of the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Act requires states, including the District of Columbia and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and U.S. territories applying for CSBG funds to submit an application and plan (CSBG State Plan). The CSBG State Plan must meet statutory requirements prior to states and territories being funded with CSBG funds. Applicants have the option to submit a detailed plan annually or biannually. Entities that submit a biannual plan must provide an abbreviated plan the following year if substantial changes to the initial plan will occur.

This request is to revise the automated CSBG State Plan format for states and territories by revising questions for clarity and system compatibility. It is not anticipated that these revisions will cause any additional burden to states as they have been completing the automated plan for three years. It is anticipated that the burden will continue to diminish in subsequent years due to improved pre-population and automation.

In addition to the CSBG State Plan, states will be requested to complete a CSBG Eligible Entity Master List in year one, and then make updates as necessary in subsequent years. As the states have the information about their eligible entities (or sub-grantees), the burden will be minimal to the states to complete this the first year.

Lastly, the request includes a survey for the CSBG eligible entities (or sub-grantees). The survey focuses on the customer service that the eligible entities receive from the CSBG states. The survey is optional, and this will be the third time that the eligible entities that chose to submit will complete it.

Respondents: State Governments, including the District of Columbia and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and U.S. territories, and local level sub-grantees.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Number of	Number of	Average Burden	Total Burden
	Respondents	Responses per	Hours per	Hours
		Respondent	Response	
CSBG State Plan	56	1	31	1736
Application for				
States				
CSBG State Plan	56	1	1	56
Eligible Entity				
List				
CSBG ACSI	1019	1	.15	152.85
Survey of				
Eligible Entities				

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,792 hours for states and territories; 152.85 for eligible entities

Additional Information:

Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 330 C Street SW, Washington, D.C. 20201. Attention Reports Clearance Officer. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection. E-mail address: infocollection@acf.hhs.gov.

OMB Comment:

OMB is required to make a decision concerning the collection of information between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the Federal Register. Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent directly to the following:

Office of Management and Budget

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